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For:

TRIFUNCTIONAL REAGENT FOR CONJUGATION TO A BIOMOLECULE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, please delete the paragraph between the Title and the Field of the Invention.

On page 1, please add the following paragraph between the Title and the Field of the Invention:

-- This application is a continuation of PCT/SE99/01241, filed on July 7, 1999, entitled TRIFUNCTIONAL REAGENT FOR CONJUGATION TO A BIOMOLECULE, and a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 09/519,998, filed March 6, 2000, and which is incorporated herein by reference.---